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FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY SHLAUDEMAN

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF MILGPS

1. SECTION 104 (C) OF THE INTERNATIONAL SECURITY
ASSISTANCE AND ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT OF 1976 PROVIDES
THAT "AFTER SEPTEMBER 30, 1976, THE NUMBER OF MILITARY
MISSIONS, GROUPS, AND SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS MAY NOT
EXCEED 34." THIS WILL REQUIRE THE TERMINATION BY THAT
DATE OF 10 MILGPS WORLDWIDE. DOD PROPOSES THAT THREE
MILGPS IN ARA COUNTRIES BE INCLUDED IN THE TEN TO BE
CLOSED -- COSTA RICA, PARAGUAY, AND URUGUAY. UP TO THREE
MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES (PRESUMABLY THREE OF THOSE
ALREADY ASSIGNED TO THE RESPECTIVE POSTS) WILL, HOWEVER,

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BE PERMITTED BY THIS LEGISLATION TO STAY TO ASSIST THE

AMBASSADOR WITH THE MANAGEMENT OF THE SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

2. I RECOGNIZE THAT THE SHORT LEAD TIME WILL CAUSE SOME ADMINISTRATIVE HARDSHIP FOR THE PERSONNEL AFFECTED AND THAT ASUNCION AND MONTEVIDEO WILL BE INCONVENIENCED BY THE REDUCTION IN MANPOWER AVAILABLE TO PERFORM THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE FUNCTION. NEVERTHELESS, AFTER EXAMINING THE

SITUATION ON A HEMISPHERE-WIDE BASIS, I AM RECOMMENDING THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONCUR IN THE DOD RECOMMENDATION.

3. A SEPARATE MESSAGE WILL ADVISE WHEN YOU MAY INFORM YOUR HOST GOVERNMENT. MEANWHILE, THERE SHOULD BE NO CONTACT WITH HOSTS ON THIS MATTER. ROBINSON

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